



## Beverly B. Bartels

January 18, 1936 - December 31, 2021

A Funeral Service for Beverly will be held on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church in rural Tobias, Nebraska with Pastor Gideon Pullman presiding.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with family present from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Farmer & Son Funeral Home in Geneva, Nebraska.

Graveside Services will be conducted following the funeral service in the Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials are to be directed to the family to be designated at a later date.

Beverly Bernice (Bohlmann) Bartels was born on a farmstead near Utica, South Dakota on January 18, 1936 to Clara (Diede) and Gustave Bohlmann and passed away on December 31, 2021 in Tobias, Nebraska at the age of 85. She was baptized and confirmed at Martinus Lutheran Church.

She was the middle of 11 children, and had five brothers and five sisters. She shared many times that she was pleased to have been able to watch her younger siblings and therefore she never had to work outside doing farm chores. She loved education and rode with neighbors to Yankton every

Sunday and home again on Friday so she could attend high school there. During the week she boarded in town and worked at a restaurant. It was while she was waiting tables that she met her husband-to-be, Eugene Bartels, who was working on the Lewis and Clark Dam and came in to eat. She mentioned that she got off early one evening and Gene's coworkers told him he needed to ask her out. He did so. They were married on May 1, 1955 and celebrated their 66th anniversary last year. They had six children, Tim (Vicki) Bartels, of Grand Island, Terry Bartels, who died shortly after his birth, Tom Bartels who was Terry's twin and lives in Minnesota, Teresa Kapperman, of Geneva, Dan (Patti) Bartels, of Tobias, and Susie (Rex) Stewart, of Tobias.

After their marriage in 1955 they farmed for a couple years at Tobias. Drought forced them in a new direction. Eugene found work as a union carpenter on dams in the Midwest. Beverly followed with the family. Their homes included Fort Pierre, SD, Highmore, SD, Albuquerque, NM, and Junction City, KS. In 1966 they moved back to the farm at Tobias.

In addition to raising her kids, Beverly held a variety of jobs outside of the home. She cleaned Zion Lutheran School, drove bus for Meridian Public School, cooked at the Fillmore County Hospital and for the Western Elementary School. Many of her students still comment on the excellent meals they enjoyed. She went back to school at SCC and earned her degree.

Beverly loved quilting and made many quilts and lap blankets. Her stitches were tiny and perfect. Her quilts received purple ribbons at the county and state fairs. She also made relief quilts for the needy in third world countries.

Beverly had the patience of a saint and loved her 18 grand and 31 great grandchildren. She taught them to sew and do needle work and loved reading to them and holding them on her lap. She loved her church and was active in the ladies group and had the distinction of being the first female to be on the

church board (secretary).

Beverly said that her love of travel started when she was 18. Her uncle died and left her enough money to take a short trip to the Black Hills. She loved visiting her brothers and sisters all over the United States. She soon became a world traveler. She went to Mexico, Paris, Hawaii and Peru with Gene, to Hong Kong, Japan and Italy with Teresa, and Australia, Russia, England, Africa and many other places on her own.

Beverly loved games and was a great competitor. She was a great card player and was hard to beat at 5-point pitch and Rook. It was one thing that she could continue to do for her entire life and even though she overbid and played the wrong cards the last few years, it usually worked to her advantage.

Beverly was brilliant and it was that brilliance that made the last few years fun. She would come up with sly sayings at the most unexpected times.

“Gene, you’re going to get fat with those new teeth of yours.”—after he got his dentures.

“Gene, don’t go swimming tonight.” Said when we were fishing just North of the Nursing Home in Geneva.

Beverly is survived by her husband and children, her 18 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren, her sister, Karen Johnson, her brother Roger (Francis) Bohlmann, her brother-in-law, Allen Buschelman, sisters-in-law Dorothy Bartels, and Priscilla (Ben) Scholl, and tons of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son (Terry) her parents, her sisters, Mae (Pete) Wagner, Irene (Glenn) Gross, Laverne (John) Hayes, Myla Buschelman, her brothers, Gus (Pat and Hettie) Bohlmann, Rein (Dolly) Bohlmann, Burnell (Mary) Bohlmann, Cliff Bohlmann, and her brothers-in-law, Junior Bartels, Gene Jordan and Laverne Johnson.



# Cemetery Details

## Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery

2247 County Road 400  
Tobias, NE 68453

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Farmer & Son Funeral Home  
242 N 10th Street  
Geneva, NE 68361  
(402) 759-3617  
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

## Family Present for Visitation

JAN 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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JAN 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church  
2247 County Road 400  
Tobias, NE 68453

# Tribute Wall



“ 42 files added to the album Flower Arrangements



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - January 05, 2022 at 01:31 PM

RB

“ We pray that God will bless you with His comfort and grant you peace in your time of sorrow.  
Roy and Judy Bartels

Roy Bartels - January 04, 2022 at 09:13 PM

SK

“ Beverly opened her home for a 16 year old girl for a week because she didn't want to go back home after the party was over. It was one of the most fun weeks in my life. She made me feel like such a special person. I know we didn't see much of each other the last few years. But I thought of her a lot. Thoughts and prayers to the family.

Sharon Krumland - January 04, 2022 at 06:03 PM



*Beverly attended many of my talks and always had a smile and a kind word. In fact, she was at one at Meridian school where she fell and broke her arm but stayed for the talk...I can't imagine the pain she endured. She will be missed.*

**Charlotte Endorf** - January 05, 2022 at 05:48 PM

MR

“ *Mike, Julie and Derek Rea purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Beverly B. Bartels.*



**Mike, Julie and Derek Rea** - January 04, 2022 at 01:31 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Beverly B. Bartels.*



January 04, 2022 at 12:51 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Beverly B. Bartels.*



January 04, 2022 at 11:54 AM



“ *Rhonda Schlick lit a candle in memory of Beverly B. Bartels*



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**Rhonda Schlick** - January 04, 2022 at 11:08 AM



“ *Roger, Beth, Kaylee & Kaitlin Gilchrist purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Beverly B. Bartels.*



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**Roger, Beth, Kaylee & Kaitlin Gilchrist** - January 03, 2022 at 04:58 PM



“ *I have many fond memories of Aunt Beverly and of course her family also. She has always reminded me so much of my dad. I had the pleasure of spending quite a bit of time with Aunt Beverly and Uncle Gene when they came to Alabama several years ago with Dad and Hettie. Beverly and her family have always been such a source of support and comfort for our family during our times of need over the years. While I will not be there in person my heart will be. Please know that I will cherish my memories of Aunt Beverly forever.*

*Willie Bohlmann*

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**Willie Bohlmann** - January 03, 2022 at 02:08 PM

AB

“ Allen, Scott and Liz Buschelman purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Beverly B. Bartels.



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**Allen, Scott and Liz Buschelman** - January 03, 2022 at 09:03 AM

CL

“ Chelsey Liess purchased the *Strength & Solace Spray* for the family of Beverly B. Bartels.



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**Chelsey Liess** - January 02, 2022 at 06:51 PM

BB

“ *Bob and Judy have very fond memories of Aunt Beverly. Even though it took a while for anything to come of it, Beverly was the one who introduced them to each other. As a single teacher at Zion Judy was invited to come over to their house for a meal and Bob was also invited. We had a great time as anyone did when visiting Beverly's house.*

*The love that Eugene and Beverly shared was such an inspiration to others, It was great to watch them together, each understanding the other that had to be a gift from the Lord.*

*We will miss her and her quiet but strong ways. She truly loved the Lord and was truly a prayer warrior for her kids and grandkids. It was so important for her to know they loved the Lord and wanted them to be involved in the work of the Lord. We rejoice with her as we know she is with Jesus having a great New Year.*

*Bob and Judy Bartels*

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**Bob Bartels** - January 02, 2022 at 05:40 PM

SU

*Thank you.*

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**Susie** - January 03, 2022 at 01:53 PM